## <u>IN THE SPECIFICATION</u>:

Please amend paragraph [0051] as follows (referring to the paragraphs as numbered in the published version of this application):

[0051] At step S706, when the facsimile reception is completed earlier than the completion of the recording of the page being currently recorded, the NCU 111 is controlled, and the communication line is opened (S707 and S708). Then, upon completion of the recording of the page being recorded (S709)(S719), the recording is interrupted, and the reading of the original is started (S710 and S717).